

**IN THE TITLE**

Kindly delete the title and substitute in its place the following title: "MANAGING CONGESTION AND TRAFFIC FLOW BY CONSIDERING THE MINIMIZATION OF LINK UTILIZATION VALUES"

**IN THE SPECIFICATION**

Please replace the following paragraphs of the specification. Applicant includes herewith an Attachment for Specification Amendments showing a marked up version of each replacement paragraph.

**CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS**

This application claims the priority of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/125,603 filed March 19, 1999, and entitled "Internet Traffic Engineering: Theory and Algorithms."

This is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application Number 09/520,247 the disclosure of which is incorporated by reference herein.